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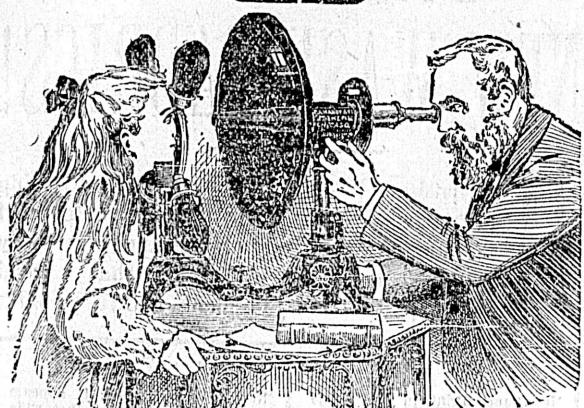
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Chinese are Menacing

Armed Bodies of Mongolians Appear on Frontier South of Lake Baikal.

Railroad Guards Drive off Large Band of Bandits in Manchuria.

Russian General Confirms the Occupation in Strength of Ping Yang.

St. Petersburg, March 21.—Official advices report the concentration of armed Mongolians disguised as pilgrims at Nankaren, south of Lake Baikal and a few miles from the Russian frontier.

A telegram has been received from Medical Officer Tropoff, at Chita, Eastern Siberia, saying: "There are many cases of sickness here." This news causes some uneasiness, as reports from other places are uniformly to the effect that the health of the troops is good.

The following despatch from Mukden March 20th was received today: "Gen. Zhilinski reports as follows: According to reports received from the frontier guards on the Eastern Chinese railway everything is in order there. At Uduini station, Capt. Uksomoff, with 70 cavalrymen, have driven off a band of 100 Chinese (Chinese bandits).

"The occupation of the town of Anju and Ping Yang by the enemy's infantry and artillery is confirmed. An increased movement of the troops and transports on the road between Ping Yang and Anju is noticeable. Thirteen of the enemy's transports recently unloaded at Chinampho. According to reports there have been no preparations for landing on the coast of Caoliao or opposite Kin Chow. All reports appearing in foreign newspapers of the landing of Japanese troops at different points on the coast are inventions."

The foreign office gives an absolute denial to the statement telegraphed from here that Korea is regarded as belonging to Russia, as previously explained, denies all the acts of Korea since the declaration of her neutrality as being under Japanese duress, and unless the Korean government formally notifies the powers that she has joined with Japan and taken up arms, Russia will consider her neutral, but any Korean troops who actually impede Russian movements or join the enemy will be considered individual belligerents without reference to their nationality.

The statement that the Russian minister at Peking has demanded the withdrawal of all Chinese troops north of the great wall is also incorrect. As stated, Russia has made representations about the number of Chinese troops in the neutral zone west of the Liao river, not desiring a force there which would constitute a threat, and it is understood that China has given satisfactory assurances on the subject.

In government circles there exists a strong belief that the question as to whether China will observe her neutrality undertakings will depend largely on the result of the first heavy land fighting. A big victory by the Russians, it is believed, will insure the quiescence of the Celestial empire, but there are grave fears as to what might happen in the event of a string of Japanese successes in the early days of the land operations. For the time being the situation appears to be satisfactory, and it is certainly much better than it was three weeks ago. The Peking government has reiterated its professions regarding neutrality to Paul Lessar, the Russian minister, and has given him firm assurances in answer to his representations regarding the number of Chinese troops north of the great wall. The natives manifest a friendlier disposition than they did in the beginning of the war, but the Russians know the Oriental character as a sly and treacherous one. They understood how deep-seated is the hatred of foreigners in China, and the only prestige of the Russian is their strong arm. The recent success of the Japanese against Russia, and perhaps against all foreigners, Russia's present plans are based on the appreciation of the supreme importance of the last land battle, and no fighting on a large scale will take place, if it can possibly be avoided, until the Russians feel morally certain that they can deal the enemy a crushing blow.

A train conveying the Easter souvenirs prepared by the wife of Grand Duke Constantine for the Russian sailors, left for the Far East at noon today. On board was a special basket containing thirteen eggs sent by the Empress to General Stoessel for distribution amongst the men defending the fortifications at Port Arthur who have most distinguished themselves.

The Novist declares that the secret object of the British Tibet expedition is the discovery of immensely rich gold deposits, Tibet being in fact a second California.

Irkutsk, Siberia, March 21.—Eighteen trains bearing goods of the Red Cross Society have been held up to allow military trains to get through.

It is estimated that 4,000 men are reaching Manchuria daily.

Moscow, March 21.—Altogether about \$65,000 has been subscribed here for patriotic purposes. The British colony is sending to the seat of war a field hospital with fifty beds.

Repairing the Russian Battleships at Port Arthur



Object to Alien

Railway Engineers

Canadian Association Protests Against Government Employing Foreigners.

Tariff Revision Committee to Be Appointed For Campaign Work.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, March 21.—The Dominion Institute of Amalgamated Engineers has sent a protest to the government against the employment of aliens on the surveys for the new transcontinental line.

Mon. Mr. Sutherland announced that the government had received a communication, dated May 18th, from the Vancouver Drydock and Shipbuilding Company asking for a subsidy for a drydock at Vancouver. The government had been assured by G. A. Keeler, an engineer of standing, that Mr. Thompson, the promoter of the dock, was a responsible person and worth \$100,000; that Messrs. Swan and Hunter would get the contract and that the necessary capital had been secured, and as soon as the necessary permission had been secured from the government, Mr. Thompson would go to England for the company.

Mr. Keup was informed by the government that no site for the mill had been selected.

The militia authorities are preparing a new scheme of infantry drill on the same principle of simplification that obtains through the new cavalry instruction. The infantry handbook will be of considerably less bulk than the cavalry manual, which is less than half the size of the former.

The Peace river district is to be explored by the Dominion government preparatory to opening the lands for colonization on the western portion of Athabasca. A survey party is being sent out to run lines into that part of the territory between the sixth initial meridian and the British Columbia border. The surveyors in charge of the party which consists of about ten will be: A. S. Cyr of Ottawa, H. W. Selby, Toronto, and J. A. Wallace of Calgary.

It is rumored that the government in view of the repeated demands of manufacturers for more adequate protection has in view the appointment of a tariff commission to take evidence and report as to what industries need more protection. While this body is at work the decisions will likely be brought on the manufacturers in the meantime being stayed off with the announcement that no tariff revision can be attempted until the commission reports.

Under instructions from the war office 60 minute guns will be fired tomorrow at all military stations in Canada during the interval of the late Duke of Cambridge.

In the new militia bill which has just been distributed, a clause has been inserted exempting from military service persons who, from the doctrines of their religion, are adverse to bearing arms or performing personal military duties.

The Dominion Steel Company, Sydney, N. S., has practically decided to put in a steel rail mill. Some time ago a quantity of steel billets were sent to England to be turned into steel rails. These billets were made into rails under the supervision of the government inspector. The report of the inspector has been received here, and is in the department of railways and canals. It says that the rails made from the Sydney billets are first class, and of the very best quality. They will be forwarded to Canada at once, and upon their arrival here will be placed on the Intercolonial, the Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific to be tested.

Probable After

Effects of War

Henry Norman Offers One Prophecy on Outcome of Struggle.

British Parliamentarian and Writer Blames England For Hostilities.

New York, March 21.—Under the title "The War and After" Henry Norman, M. P., discusses the probable after effects of the Russo-Japanese war in the forthcoming number of the World's Work. He says that it is most important that one of the acts should be clearly realized, that it is a fight for the control of China, Korea and Manchuria are subordinate or indirect issues. The real object is predominant influence in Peking, bringing with it the ultimate domination of the Far East and in the future the ownership of all the Asiatic railroads. He pointed out the probability of war in the near east and the English peril from such an event, and says: "Already the flames of hostility to England are visible almost everywhere in Europe, a manifestation which is not at all surprising in view of the language of the London press. From the highest to the lowest, moderation of language, respect for the feelings of other nations and a sense of responsibility appear to have vanished from many newspaper offices. Denunciation of Russia is as extravagant as adulation of Japan is exaggerated, and both are making England a host of fresh enemies every week. For all this a day of reckoning will surely come, for the passion roused against England will likely be brought on, when—if it happens—Russia has practically evacuated Manchuria and Japan unable to continue a ruinous struggle of indefinite duration, requests the powers to recognize the retrocession of Manchuria to China and to decree the end of the war. Then England is likely to learn the result of her Asiatic alliances, for it is the universal conviction that it was the Anglo-Japanese treaty which rendered the war in the Far East both possible and probable.

"In conclusion, I will venture upon one prophecy, namely, that the result of the war will be for Russia a blessing in disguise. The policy of expansion everywhere, at any cost and by any method, together with its authors and upholders will be discarded. The corruption of the bureaucracy will be cut out. The statesmen who desire to curtail military expenditure and to encourage Russian production and commerce, will consider the war in the Far East both possible and probable.

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Russian Describes

The Bombardment

Officer of One of the Batteries Gives Vivid Description of Rain of Shell.

One Hundred and Fifty Guns Belching and Blood Every where.

St. Petersburg, March 21.—A Russian officer commanding a battery on Electric Hill during the bombardment of Port Arthur, has written the following vivid account:

"It was a clear, sunlight day, and there was a gentle swell on the water. A little spot appeared through the haze on the far horizon, and then another and another, until these spots were increased to fifteen. Nearest and nearest they came, and larger and larger they appeared, until, when six miles off, there was a tiny puff of smoke and all in the battery wondered where the projectile was going to fall.

"Forty fathoms below the cliff, where the battleship Peresviet, hung a shell burst under her bows, splashing the decks with spray. There was another puff and a projectile whistled overhead, crashing on the rocks behind us. Then came a third. It was a moment of terrible suspense. There was a terrific explosion overhead. They had got our range exactly.

"It was a signal for us to open fire, and ten shore batteries and twelve warships joined in the display.

"What followed is indescribable. The sea underneath where we stood fairly boiled with the swish and plunge of projectiles and words of command were inaudible to the gunners. I tried vainly to shout my orders while 150 guns were belching in a prolonged roar and shells were bursting overhead with a hellish crash. The smoke and dust blinded us.

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Chinese in The Transvaal

Premier Balfour Defeats Vote of Censure By a Small Majority.

Major Seely Withdraws Support From Government and Resigns.

The Bishop of Hereford Roundly Censures South African High Commissioner.

London, March 21.—In the House of Commons this afternoon the Liberal leader, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, moved his vote of censure, presented March 16, to the effect that, "This House disapproves the conduct of His Majesty's government in advising the Crown not to disallow the ordinance for the introduction of Chinese labor in the Transvaal."

Sir Henry said nothing the government had done since the close of the South African war had so sorely tried the people of this country as its sanction of the introduction of Chinese labor into South Africa. It was impossible to conceive a greater departure from the principles by which Great Britain hitherto had made her way in the world than the importation of aliens as the bondsmen of mining speculators. The Liberal leader thought nothing but averting a possible catastrophe could justify the Chinese labor ordinance. At the time of the war the government declared it was waged in the interests of white labor, but the British workman was now being snuffed out by the Chinaman. It was the biggest scheme for human dumping since the "Middle Passage" was abolished.

Sir Henry put stress on the provision to the effect that anyone harboring a deserting Chinaman would be treated as a receiver of stolen goods. If this did not constitute slavery, he said, the difference was indistinguishable.

Colonial Secretary Lyttelton replying, indignantly repelled the allegation that the government was favoring slavery. The government of the Transvaal was in favor of Chinese labor, or, at least, the necessity thereof, the ministry had adopted the only alternative to bridge the transition period until the blacks had increased sufficiently to fill the demand for unskilled labor. The government was well aware that the policy would be unpopular. Defending Chinamen against the charge of immorality, Mr. Lyttelton read a letter from the Bishop of British Columbia, in which he asserted that the Chinamen were in no way a debauched community, but lived quietly and soberly. There was no evidence that they imported new or despicable vices. The prosperity of British Columbia and California, Mr. Lyttelton asserted, was based on gold mines won by Asiatic labor.

Major John Edward Seely, who hitherto has been a consistent supporter of the government, said he believed the importation of Chinese labor would render the Transvaal impossible as a white man's country. He announced, therefore, his resignation, and tendered his resignation because he did not think it fair that he should vote against the government without giving his constituents an opportunity of turning him out if they did not approve of his action. The conclusion of Major Seely's speech was lost amid a tremendous outburst of disapproval from the ministerial side.

Premier Balfour, who followed Major Seely, said that he was a supporter of the Irish members protesting against the treatment of the Major. William Redmond said that Mr. Balfour should have insisted upon a respectful hearing for Major Seely, and that Mr. Redmond said he had appeared for such a hearing. Mr. Redmond withdrew his opposition.

Mr. Balfour, in opposing the resolution, said it was a question whether the Transvaal should be allowed to proceed through a grave commercial crisis rather than admit Chinese labor. A Liberal government, he said, had in the past legalized the importation of such labor for British Columbia, and the opposition was now replying the benefits of the evil of which their own party had produced.

Mr. Balfour continuing, said that if the leader of the opposition came into power he would do exactly as the government was doing, and would not indulge in vague and inappropriate speeches about slavery. Should Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's motion be carried, it would tend to destroy, or to indefinitely retard, the prosperity of the Transvaal.

Herbert H. Asquith, in closing the debate, denied that any clear or overwhelming opinion in the Transvaal demanded Chinese labor. He agreed that the economic position of the Transvaal was serious, but he said that if healing forces were allowed to operate and that the Chinese were allowed to enter, the serious features could be removed.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's motion was rejected, 200 to 242.

Urgent whips of all parties had secured a big attendance, and many of the Irish members had hurried from Dublin.

In the division thirteen Unionist members, including Winston Churchill, abstained from voting. The Liberal Unionist members voted against the government, the majority for which was rather larger than any in the several recent critical divisions.

The result was received with cheers. Chinese in the Transvaal was also debated during the entire session of the House of Lords this evening on a motion of Lord Alverstone (Liberal) that: "This House disapproves of and highly regrets the introduction of Chinese laborers into the Transvaal under the recent ordinance, until that country has been granted a full representative government."

The Bishop of Hereford (John Percival, D. D., Liberal) severely criticized High Commissioner Milner, who, he said, was utterly disqualified to hold a high office on account of his temper. The noble owner, the Bishop added, wanted the ordinance, but the owners did not represent the people, who were opposed to it.

Lord Goschen (Liberal-Unionist) warmly defended Lord Milner.

Lord Coleridge's motion was finally rejected by a vote of 97 to 25.

VETERAN POSTAL CLERK.

St. Johns, Que., March 21.—Alexander Wainwright, late Royal Mail clerk and one of the most widely and highly respected ex-civil servants in the Dominion, is dead, aged 80 years. Deceased entered the mail service in 1855, and has served under eight Canadian postmasters-general and five deputies. His first trip in the winter of 1855 was from Montreal to Brockville, Ont., via Rouss Point, N. Y., and Ogdensburg, N. Y.

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Wild Rumor of Port Arthur's Fall

After Two Day's Bombardment Japanese Said to Have Captured Place.

Sharp Engagement on the Yalu River Reported By Same Correspondent.

London, March 22.—A number of rumors are printed in the newspapers this morning, but they must be taken with great reserve.

The Daily Telegraph's Tokyo correspondent cables a newspaper report of the Japanese occupation of Port Arthur after a combined land and sea attack Saturday and Sunday. It is asserted that a division of Japanese landed on the Lia Tung peninsula Saturday and engaged the Russians near Port Arthur, while the fleet bombarded from Saturday evening until Sunday morning. The same correspondent reports a sharp encounter at Chiyong, on the Yalu river, about thirty miles northeast of Yalu, in which the Russians lost 600 in killed and wounded.

The Daily Chronicle's Shanghai correspondent hears from New Chungwang that the Japanese have crossed the Yalu forty miles from Hai Cheng, and that collisions have occurred with the Russians.

Reports from Seoul and Tokio are to the effect that the Russians have arranged to lend \$2,500,000 to Korea on easy terms.

According to the Standard's Tien Tsin correspondent China is appealing to the powers for an extension of a year in the period for the payment of the indemnity growing out of the Boxer troubles.

A correspondent at Tien Tsin of the Daily Mail reports that Kataoka, a Japanese merchant, but a Russian spy, has been assassinated, but that the Japanese authorities disavow any knowledge of the assassins.

The Morning Post's Hamburg correspondent says that the Russian steamer purchased the Hamburg steamer Hais, which is now at Vladivostok, for \$250,000, and that the vessel's name has been changed to Alexeitrapi.

AN EASTERN EARTHQUAKE.

Montreal, March 21.—The earthquake which was felt in the New England states and eastern Canada on the 20th of this province, was also felt here, but it was felt only by citizens who happened to be awake, the shock being very slight.

St. John, N. B., March 21.—A severe earthquake shock was felt here early yesterday morning. Fredericton and Woodstock also report having felt it.

Richmond, Que., March 21.—An earthquake shock was distinctly felt here about 1:20 this morning, followed by another shock a little later.

RUSSIAN MINISTER OF MARINE SPEAKS

No Intention to Displace Alexieff in Command in the Far East.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.

St. Petersburg, March 22.—Admiral Avelon, the Russian minister of marine, denies that there is any intention of modifying the position of Admiral Alexieff in the Far East. The admiral, he said, would continue personally to represent the czar. In fact, continued the minister, there is at present no intention of making a change in the personnel of those chosen to conduct the war. The Japanese, he continued, are following, line by line, the tactics they pursued in the war with China, when they shelled Port Arthur from time to time while they landed troops on the Korean soil. He claimed that the Russian navy now expects them to attempt a landing near Port Arthur and a land and sea attack on that fort.

The admiral stated that he expects the preparations taken by the Russian commanding officers to protect their lines of communication will prove completely successful, even though the attempt to isolate Port Arthur should eventually be successful. The report that the Mediterranean squadron will return to Kronstadt as soon as the weather shall moderate, he declared that advice from Admiral Alexieff state that he expects to complete repairs to the disabled battleships Retvizan and Carevitch and the cruiser Pallada within a fortnight, as the work was progressing with prodigious rapidity.

FIRING HEARD.

Yin Kow, March 21.—Firing was heard off the coast, apparently about six miles to the southward, this morning. There were fourteen shots between 7 and 7:30. This morning it was heavy and it was impossible to distinguish objects at sea. A credible report has reached here that two cruisers and five gunboats were off Kinchow yesterday.

APPEASING THE KOREAN ILL-FEELING

Japan Will Lend Two and a Half Millions and Also Advisers.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.

Tokio, March 22.—Acting under instructions from the Emperor, Marquis Ito has informed the Emperor of Korea that Japan's intentions toward Korea are for the preservation of her independence and integrity and that for the purpose of placing her finances on a sound basis, Japan will lend her five million yen (\$2,500,000), and also place at her disposal experienced advisers who will aid in rehabilitating the country. This readiness to lend the money and to place at her disposal experienced advisers, is said to have effectually dispelled the fears of the Koreans regarding the visit of Marquis Ito to Korea.

Seoul, March 22.—Marquis Ito received a large number of the Korean officials yesterday. The tactful behavior of the Japanese envoy excites general approval, and it is obvious that Japan intends to leave no stone unturned in order to appease all Korean ill-feeling. The success of this endeavor will be of great value, as it will permit Japan freely to use Korean territory while its lines of communication will be secure from attack.

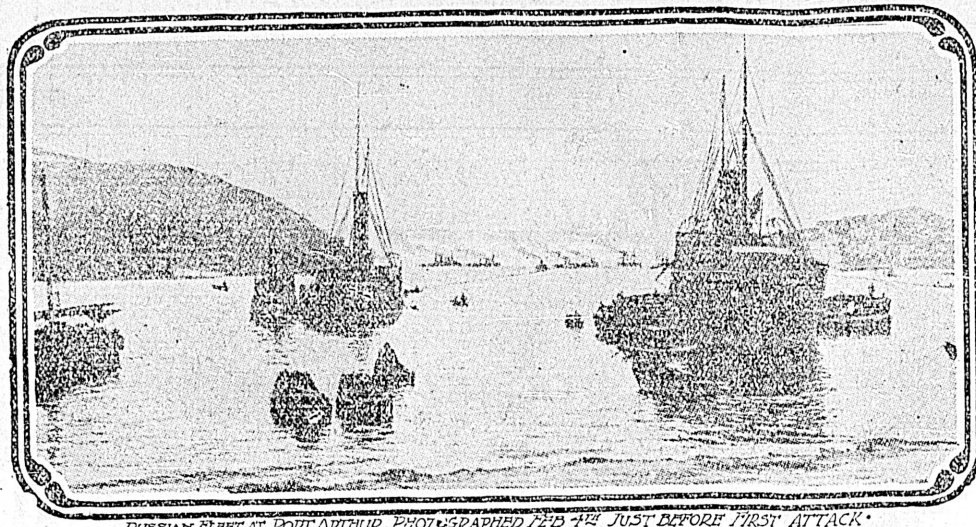
The news from the front precludes the belief of the rumors regarding renewal of fighting. It appears certain that the only land fighting in Korea up to date has been the outpost engagements which have been fully exploited in these despatches as they have occurred.

The Russians continue slowly to retire before the Japanese advance and at present there are not more than 1,500 Russians south of the Yalu river.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it does not cure. E. W. Grove's signature on each box, 25 cents.

Latest Photograph From Port Arthur



RUSSIAN FLEET AT PORT ARTHUR, PHOTOGRAPHED FEB 22 JUST BEFORE FIRST ATTACK.

CHINESE LABOR.

Washington, March 21.—A new treaty regulating the admission of Chinese labor into the United States is in preparation. The existing treaty which was made by Secretary Gresham and Minister Wu, in 1894, will expire next December by limitation. There is reason to believe that it will be more liberal in the treatment of Chinese wishing to enter the United States when they are not actually of the coolie class, than the existing treaty. Provision may be made for the entry of Chinese labor into the Panama canal strip. An attempt has been made to make more extensive use of Chinese labor in the Philippines.

FUNERAL OF DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE

His Royal Highness To Be Buried in Westminster Abbey Today.

London, March 21.—The body of the Duke of Cambridge, who died Thursday, was removed today from Gloucester House, in Park Lane, to Westminster Abbey, preparatory to the funeral services tomorrow. The casket was draped with the Union Jack, and was placed on a gun carriage drawn by six horses and escorted by a squadron of the Royal Horse Guards. The gun carriage was followed to the Abbey by the members of the Duke's family and his suite in carriages. Thousands of people lined the streets from Gloucester House to the Abbey.

At the Abbey the coffin was received by the Dean of Westminster and the clergy and placed in St. Paul's chapel, where a detachment of the Guards will remain on duty during the night. Prior to the removal of the body a brief service was held in the state dining-room at Gloucester House, which was attended by King Edward, Queen Alexandra, the Prince and Princess of Wales and other members of the Royal family.

Purser of Pleiades Tells Experience

Was Under Fire at Port Arthur During the First Attack.

Just Returned British Officer Also Confirms Russians' Unreadiness.

Tacoma, March 21.—A description of the first attack on the Russian fleet at Port Arthur by the Japanese on February 8th and 9th is given in a letter to the Tacoma News from Purser Fairweather of the steamer Pleiades, which arrived at Port Arthur a few days before the attack was made.

"We arrived at Port Arthur on February 7th," says the letter, and the Russian fleet consisting of fourteen battleships and cruisers, was lying outside the mouth of the harbor. We got a berth just inside the entrance. Monday night, February 8th, about 11 o'clock we heard heavy firing which lasted until about 12:30 a. m. Everyone thought the forces were engaging in some kind of night target practice, but in the morning we saw two of the largest and best of the

Reported Engagement

Special Cable to the London Times and Victoria Colonist.

Tokio, March 22.—A Japanese victory is declared to have resulted from a sharp encounter with the Russians at Chy-On-Syong. The Russian losses in killed, wounded and prisoners are said to be 600.

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REPAIRING JAPAN'S DAMAGED WARSHIPS

Two Battleships and one Cruiser in Dock and Repairs to Be Made By June 1.

Paris, March 21.—The correspondent of the Figaro at Rome says that the Japanese legation there announces that repairs to the Japanese fleet are actively progressing in order that the vessels may be ready to meet the Russian Baltic fleet. The battleships Machake and Hatsuse, and the armored cruiser Iwate, are in dock, as are also several cruisers and torpedo boats. It is intended, according to the information received from the Japanese legation, to have the fleet in perfect condition by the end of June, and therefore, further bombardment of fortified places are improbable, especially as the artillery equipment of several of the battleships is being changed.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP.

Kingston, March 21.—Kingston today, by a vote of 1,307 to 37, voted to spend \$182,000 on the purchase of the lighting plant. It will be operated by the municipality.

YE OLDE FOLKES' CONCERT.

Greater Concerts of Tunes and Worldie Songs Last Night.

Last evening at the First Presbyterian church a splendid entertainment was given, consisting of solos and part songs of old English melodies. All the singers and musicians were in old English costume, and the effect of the grouping on the platform was most pleasing.

Special mention is due Paganini Joweser and Aaron Blockhard for violin and piccolo solo, respectively. Young Mr. Larrigan took both characters and sustained them well. His solos were well rendered and much enjoyed. The piccolo encore after the first number, "Killarney," was beautifully played. Mr. J. G. Brown took the part of Grandfather Isaac Farewell; R. Wilson was Dr. Abundant Agag; and W. C. Kinnard looked simply killing as Reuben Prosperity. Mrs. Hall was harpist, and was known as Dame Cheerful Playwell.

Amateur—This is my latest attempt at a song. Mr. I ask what you think of the perspective?

Artist—The perspective is its strong point. The further away you stand the better it looks.—Detroit Free Press.

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True State of Affairs at Harbin

Only Thirty Three Military Trains Since the Opening of Hostilities.

Thousands on Sick Leave Owing to Rigors of Transportation.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.

Harbin, March 22.—Only thirty-three military trains have reached here since war was declared, and not less than half of these brought ammunition and provisions. Of the 20,000 troops stationed here, during the last four days, 4,000 have been sent to Port Arthur, New Chungwang and Mukden, while 4,000 have been sent to Vladivostok. The greater part of the rest are on sick leave, having arrived in a wretched condition. It is stated by the commanding officer that hereafter the men will arrive at the rate of a thousand a day. There is still much disorder in Harbin and the provost marshal is in control. The town is being fortified.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

St. John, N. B., March 21.—Robert Good, aged 32 years, a lumberman, was killed by a falling tree in the woods near Macan on Saturday. He leaves a widow.

AS IT LOOKED TO HER.

Aunt Samanthly (at the opera)—Come out of this, Silas. It's scandalous that this society woman go in swimming right before decent people.

Uncle Silas—There ain't no swimmin' tubs, Samanthly. They is boxes where the society folkses set.—Butte Inter-Mountain.

THE WRONG QUESTION.

"Your recommendations seem very good. How much money have you been earning?"

"Five thousand a year."

"Pardon me; I meant to ask you how much money have you been getting."—Cincinnati Commercial.

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MARSH—At New Westminster, B. C., on March 10th, Mrs. H. C. Marsh, of 104 Dallas road, Victoria, B. C., of a daughter.

A SNAP IN CORD WOOD!!

One saw-load first quality (large timber) delivered, short hauls, \$3.50 per cord. Cash or before delivery. W. Colston, 49 Discovery street, Telephone 184.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Tenders for the erection of a frame dwelling house on Burdette avenue will be received up to noon on Monday, 28th inst. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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Mr. C. Little, 404 Symington avenue, Toronto, driver for Dunlop, the Florist, was so badly crippled with rheumatism, that owing to swelling, pain and pain, I could not get my boots on, and walked with great difficulty. I got a bottle of Griffiths' Menthol Liniment, which gave me relief at once and speedily cured me. I can highly recommend it. Large bottles 25 cents. Special size 75 cents.

COWICHAN ASSESSMENT DISTRICT.

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that all assessed taxes and income tax, assessed and levied by the Assessment Act, 1903, are due and payable on the 1st day of April for the year 1904. All taxes collectible for Cowichan Assessment District are due and payable at my office, situated at Duncan, this notice in terms of law, is equivalent to a personal demand by me upon all persons liable for taxes.

Dated at Maitland, 15th March, 1904. JAMES MONTLAND-DOUGALL, Assessor and Collector.

Cowichan Assessment District Duncan Post Office.



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ARE rushing in—the best and most charming creations of the world's most celebrated manufacturers—wisely chosen and with every economy squeezed into them that careful buying and sound judgment makes possible

New Print	New Zephyrs
New Fancy Print, in good staple colorings and neat designs. Per yard	New Striped Zephyr; it appears as in former seasons, in a wide range of solid colors, checks and fancy stripes
Special 10c	Per yd. 10c, 12 1-2c, 15c

New Vestings and White Brocades

These fabrics present the crowning efforts of one of the foremost manufacturers to bring out the popular mercerized and broadened effects on a white background.

33 inch White Basket-woven Vestings, in neat stripe and fancy spot effects, soft silky finish. Per yard

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27 inch White Brocade Waistings, in beautiful floral effects. Per yard

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36 inch Linen Crash, in all the popular colorings, presenting a modest cost material suitable for blouse costumes. Per yard

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Fancy Grass Cloth

New Fancy Chain Stripe Grass Cloth, a dainty wash fabric, for blouses or blouse costumes, Per yard

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New Basket Voile, 27 inches wide, a woven cotton voile, in the newest colorings, offering at a moderate cost a costume material of combined simplicity, and richness. Per yard

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New Fancy Voile, with pretty Persian stripe design, a dressy summer fabric that is worthy of a high position among the exclusive costume materials that we present. Per yard

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Coal \$6.50 per ton

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Sunshine will show ad the spots and stains that dark weather conceals. Send your clothes to be cleaned, pressed and renovated at the Cowichan Laundry and save buying new ones. Prices most reasonable and first rate work done. Dry cleaning of silk goods a specialty. Curtains and blankets look like new. Freight paid one way.

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More Lights to Be Provided

Council Will Materially Increase Capacity of Electric Lighting System.

Chinese Liquor Dealers Working Under an Arrangement With Former Board.

How the electric lighting system may be improved was explained in a very interesting report from the superintendent of the department presented at yesterday evening's meeting of the city council, and a number of extra lamps which are badly needed will be provided at an early date.

His Worship Mayor Barnard presided, and the executive committee of the council, and Mr. Justice Martin, re electric light on St. Charles street, asked what steps the council proposed to take to give the matter further attention. Laid on the table.

A. T. Goward, local manager of the British Columbia Electric Railway, wrote saying the pointsman employed at the James Bay bridge would be considered an employee of the company. Received and filed.

The secretary of the Retail Grocers' Association requested that a petition presented some time ago be given prompt attention.

Ald. Fell said he would like to know if the grocers were willing to pay the same license which they would wish to be charged the peddlers. The license system as it was at present, was not a good one.

The council will consider the matter at an early date. Ald. Beckwith pressed for immediate action.

The secretary of the Provincial Licensed Victuallers' Association called attention to the resolution favoring reduction of liquor licenses to the former figures—reducing to the annual amount of \$200 per year. Chinese firms were importing wines and liquors and disposed of the same without paying any license.

Ald. Beckwith said he understood a fee was charged on each license last year—\$600—covering all applicants.

Ald. Vincent said some such an arrangement was, he understood, made by the treasury department.

The mayor said such licenses were in existence and expired in July next, they having been issued by the late mayor and the board of licensing commissioners.

Mr. Michaels, of Elliott street, asked for water and sewerage connections, as he intended to build a residence.

Referred to city engineer and water commissioner for report on motion of Ald. Beckwith.

Margaret Jackson, re site of Old Men's Home, offered residence and lots on corner of Cook's street and Hillside avenue for sum of \$7,000. Referred to home committee.

James Phillips protested against his house being pulled down on Beacon street.

Received and filed.

W. G. Eden drew attention to unsanitary condition of premises occupied by him on Fort street.

Referred to the city solicitor, with power to order.

W. J. Murray asked for a share of the corporation horsehoes.

On motion of Ald. Stewart, Chief Watson will be instructed to divide the division impartially.

The water commissioner re extension of water main on Toulon avenue, said it would cost \$2,000, as he had already reported four times previously.

As the people lived outside the city, he could not recommend that the work be carried out.

It was decided to permit the residents to lay a four-inch pipe at their own expense.

The city solicitor, re Richardson street extension, forwarded a lengthy report.

Referred to streets committee.

The city engineer reported, recommending that a pipe drain be laid on Leighton road, at an expenditure of \$200. Adopted.

The city electrician reported saying that, by the expenditure of \$400, twenty extra lights could be maintained.

Gentlemen—I beg to submit the following report having reference to the overloaded condition of circuits Nos. 1 and 2, operating in James Bay and East End districts respectively. This condition could be relieved temporarily by transferring part of the load from the above-mentioned circuits on to circuit No. 4, which has a margin of capacity to accommodate 20 additional lamps. I find that by expending \$400 on line changes, provision could

be made to accommodate five extra lamps in each of the above-mentioned districts, at the same time leaving a margin for slight extension in all other districts. By the addition of extra lamps from time to time the spare capacity of plant as a whole, has been reduced, and there is at present only margin for 30 extra lights, three of which have already been taken up since January 1st, 1904. In order to permit of further extension and improvement in the service, it would be necessary to install a dynamo having at least 100 lights capacity, this together with 40 extra lamps, driving pulley and belt would cost approximately \$5,000, and would allow of 65 additional lamps being placed. The cost of installing the lamps is not included in the above estimate.

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Fled From Vladivostok

Two Jewish Merchants Driven From Northern Stronghold Arrive Here.

Had to Travel By Sledge Across Frozen Plains to Korea.

Amongst the passengers who arrived at Victoria by the Shawmut on Sunday morning were two Jewish merchants, Messrs. August Libby, of Liebhaf, and Cornelius Hoff, formerly in business in Vladivostok. They were ordered by the Russian military commandant of the garrison of Vladivostok to get out of Russian territory within twenty-four hours. This notification was made

officelike had done nearly everything possible to alienate and expatriate the Jews of Russia. Otherwise Russia could have depended upon several regiments of brave fighters in her cause at this crisis.

The two refugees were of the opinion that both Poland and Finland would take the earliest opportunity of rising against Russian rule, and any signal reverse to Russian arms in the field would probably precipitate a perfect conflagration along the Russian frontiers in Asia and Europe.

APPALLING THOUGHT.

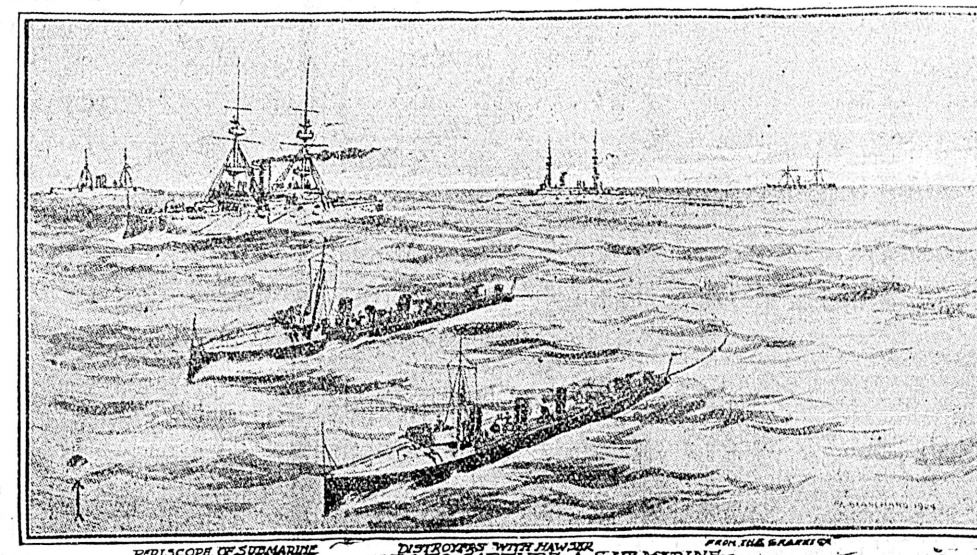
His Mother—Tommy, what are you so quiet about?

"Tommy—I was just thinking what an awful thing it would be if George Washington had been born a girl—Chicago Tribune.

DOLING OUT ANOTHER FACT.

Mrs. Chugwater—Joshua, what does this paper mean when it talks about the "money devil"?

Mr. Chugwater—It means the microbe that inhabits old and ragged banknotes. It isn't really a devil. It's only an imp. Now let me alone.—Chicago Tribune.



PERISCOPE OF SUBMARINE HOW TO CAPTURE A SUBMARINE

Supreme Court

Adjourned Sitting

The Board of Trade vs. Tupper & Peters Was Argued Yesterday.

Mr. Justice Irving Reserved Decision—Camsusa vs. Coigdarippe Being Tried.

Yesterday morning the adjourned sitting of the Supreme court were resumed before the Hon. Mr. Justice Irving.

Before any cases were heard E. P. Davis, K. C., made application for the dismissal of all the cases against the British Yukon Consolidated Railway Company, as the plaintiffs had decided to drop the cases since the late Alaskan boundary award.

The cases were therefore dismissed without costs and the security released to the plaintiffs. E. P. Davis, K. C., appeared for the defendants and Frank Higgins for the plaintiffs.

The Board of Trade vs. Tupper & Peters for rent of offices in the Board of Trade building. A. L. Belyea for plaintiffs and J. H. Lawson, Jr., for defendants.

His Lordship reserved judgment.

The next case on the list was Camsusa et al. vs. Coigdarippe, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Erb (heirs of the late L. Erb). E. P. Davis, K. C., and L. Greene appeared for the plaintiffs and E. V. Bodwell, K. C., George Jay, A. E. McPhillips, K. C., appeared for the defendants.

E. P. Davis, K. C., opened the case for the plaintiffs and stated that the case was one for wrongful administration of the estate of the late Mr. Camsusa, who left as his executors the late L. Erb and the defendant Coigdarippe, being a trustee sold in the interest of the late Mr. Camsusa, in a liquid business, to himself. The defence is that the late Mr. Camsusa's partner, Mr. Bouchet, bought the interest for \$50,000.

Mr. Davis contended that while the evidence differed somewhat the results were really the same. The late Mr. Erb, the trustee, stated that the defendant Coigdarippe was willing to buy her late husband's interest at \$50,000, and advised her to accept the offer, which was accepted, \$150,000 and a note for \$28,500 at two years and one for \$2,000 at three years at 6 per cent. These notes were never met, though six years afterwards the interest was raised to 8 per cent. Mr. Coigdarippe sold his interest to Fisher & Leiser for \$25,000. Mr. Coigdarippe always paid the interest to Mrs. Camsusa. Mr. Bouchet never did. The defence being that Mrs. Coigdarippe bought the interest from Mr. Bouchet and paid him the interest and he in turn paid Mrs. Camsusa.

Mrs. Camsusa was the first witness called by Mr. Davis and testified to the dates of her marriage to the late Mr. Camsusa and the dates of births of the co-plaintiffs, her children. Witness testified as to her late husband's business and his friendship for defendant Coigdarippe. Mr. Erb called on witness about a month after her husband's death and proposed that she should sell the business to Coigdarippe as before outlined. She agreed. Coigdarippe brought her a month afterwards the amount of one month's interest, \$225. Regularly thereafter Coigdarippe brought the interest for over three years. Bouchet never did. Witness then decided that she was not getting enough interest and went to the store and asked Coigdarippe for more and he paid her thereafter at the rate of 8 per cent.

Neither the trustee nor the estate suggested to witness that she should consult a lawyer about the sale of her interest. Witness said she knew no more about the sale than she had given in her evidence.

Cross-examined by E. V. Bodwell, K. C., witness said she received \$50 from Mr. Erb in either December, 1884, or January, 1885, being half of the amount due on her interest in the business. Coigdarippe received the other half. She never received any other payment except this outside of the interest.

Witness was shown a receipt for \$55,000 from September 1884 to September 30, 1885, the

latter being for one month's interest. Witness said this was not the first payment she had received from Mr. Coigdarippe for interest. She said the former amount must have been interest on insurance money from Mr. E. M. Johnson, which amounted to \$57 odd when nothing was deducted.

The case will be continued this morning.

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OUR MINING INDUSTRY.

(The problem of making grants of mineral lands so as to secure a satisfactory result to the State by their disposal and development is exercising the thoughts of the administrations of other parts of the Dominion as well as that of British Columbia. In the Province of Ontario the matter is just now receiving a good deal of attention, due to the fact that efforts are being made there to open up the great mineral districts in what is commonly known as "New Ontario." At a time when the questions of Crown grants to mineral claims, the mineral tax and the methods that should be taken to stimulate the mining industry in this Province are being considered by the Government and the Legislature, the experience gained in respect to such subjects in other parts of Canada is both interesting and deserving of attention. Particularly is this the case because there is an impression held in some quarters that there is a reluctance here to adopt recommendations for changes in the mining laws that it is asserted will tend very greatly to the development and extension of the industry. But as a matter of fact, the experience in other mining countries indicates that many of these proposed changes would be prejudicial alike to the industry and to the State.

At its recent convention in Toronto, the President—Mr. E. Coste—of the Canadian Mining Institute, deplored the evil results that had followed the facility with which grants to mineral lands could be obtained from the Government, without any security that those who got them would proceed to the development of the property. Mr. Coste made the startling assertion that of the thousands of grants made during the past six years, only one-half of one per cent. of the number of the grants issued had been followed by actual bona fide work on the mineral lands thus alienated by the Crown. He held that such a state of things was so detrimental to the country and to the mining industry itself, that some steps must be taken to put an end to it. Mr. Coste was inclined to think that a tax of five dollars per acre per annum should be levied on all claims on which their owners were not working, with a view to compel them to proceed to the development of the property or allow it to revert to the Crown, and thus become open for others to stake it. A similar state of things prevails to some extent in British Columbia, and there is no question that its effects are as detrimental here as they are in Ontario.

The chief benefit that the State derives from the mineral wealth that may exist within its boundaries, is from the development of the minerals by which employment is afforded to a large number of people and a great amount of money thereby put in circulation. That leads to the building up of towns and cities; to a demand for all sorts of commodities and to the establishment of factories and other industrial enterprises to supply the demands thus created. But if the State alienates its mineral lands and their new owners merely let them lie undeveloped, little or no advantage accrues to the country. The actual money received for the sale of such lands is a mere bagatelle, and represents little more than the cost to the Government of the expense of administering that part of the public domain. Nor is this method of letting mineral lands remain undeveloped a cause of less evil to the mining industry itself than it is to the State. Vast areas of mineral lands are locked up and prospectors are deterred from going upon them. A district thus located and Crown granted becomes stagnant and unprogressive, and both the Government and the community are the sufferers.

In most of the dependencies of the British Empire precautions have been taken against the possibilities of such abuses arising. Absolute titles to mineral lands are not granted, but only leases. In many of the Colonies, notably in Australia and New Zealand, these leases contain stringent provisions as to the amount of work which must be done every year in order to prevent the lease being forfeited. Yet the mining industry flourishes in these countries, not in spite of these provisions, but on account of them. They force the lessees either to work them or to allow them to lapse to the Crown, when they are open to other persons to stake them. Here in British Columbia a directly opposite course has been adopted. Crown grants can be obtained on such easy terms that large tracts of mineral lands are locked up for speculative purposes. In many cases even the requirements of the law—easy and comparatively insignificant as they are—are only nominally complied with. When it is considered that there are something like ten thousand claims staked, an estimate of the number of them which are being worked will show that there is something wrong with our mining legislation.

THE UNITED STATES.

There is every probability that at the present session of the United States Congress the necessary legislation will be passed for the creation of two new states. The sub-committee of the House Committee on Territories is stated to have already completed a bill for the admission into the Union of the territories of New Mexico and Arizona as one state. It has also under consideration the proposal to admit Oklahoma and the Indian Territory as another state. The proposal to make only two states out of these four territories is in the nature of a compromise intended to overcome the opposition that has hitherto existed to the admission of these new states. It is thought that the opponents of any increase in the number of states in the Union will realize that it is better to settle the question by the admission of two new states, than to run the risk of having four new states created in the future out of the same territory. Already the combined population of New Mexico and Arizona exceeds that of some of the existing states. By the proposed consolidation of the two territories into one state, the objection that the territory of New Mexico contains such a large preponderance of Spanish speaking citizens will be overcome, as the union with Arizona will cause that proportion to be comparatively small in the united population. In the case of Oklahoma there are still stronger claims for its admission to statehood.

With the entrance of these territories into the Union, there will remain no organized territory in the country. The whole country from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the Canadian boundary to that of Mexico, will be comprised in states in the Union. Outside of this continent there will then be one regularly organized territory—that of Hawaii. Alaska has no territorial government. Puerto Rico is administered as a colony, as are also the Philippine Islands. It is, of course, impossible to force what may be the result of the development of these transmarine possessions of the United States, but it is improbable that they will become states in the Union on account of their geographical conditions. Republican institutions do not adapt themselves so conveniently to the requirements of a world-wide domain as those of a more archaic form. At the same time for equal privileges and rights with those enjoyed by the people in one part of the Union, to be denied to their fellow-citizens in the outlying parts of it, indicates something that is defective in the United States Constitution or that in these latter days its principles have been departed from.

CHURCH UNION.

The movement favoring the union of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational churches, which was inaugurated at a convention held in Toronto three weeks ago, seems to have taken a strong hold on the members of those bodies. The idea was favorably entertained. Difficulties, many of them unforeseen, will be encountered; but all may be overcome by judicious management, patient thought and wise counsel. The idea is a grand one. United, the Methodists, Presbyterians and Congregationalists, can widely extend their spheres of usefulness and will at once become the most powerful agent for the dissemination of Gospel truths in Canada. Their enormous revenues will be utilized in extending the influence of the united churches, and the friendly rivalry which is now manifested for the possession of chosen fields of action will cease. The favor with which the proposition has been received is a matter for congratulation. It indicates that the world of thought is moving on and it may not be long before the movement will extend to other bodies besides those named.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

HEADLONG LEGISLATION AND THE MINING ASSOCIATION'S DEMANDS.

Sir,—I would be the last person to accuse Mr. A. G. Sargison of headlong legislation; for I know that his heart is thoroughly enlisted in the work of reforming our mining legislation; but I have no hesitation in saying that the letters he has printed are in the main indiscreet and mischievous. He condemns the government for what he regards as its inaction in failing to comply with the demands of the Mining Association for remedial legislation. Mr. Galt, forgets or does he forget?—that since the mining convention of 1903 there has been a change of government, a general election and a change of the legislative majority upon party lines; that the new government found an empty exchequer and that the attention of the House and Government has necessarily been absorbed in efforts to meet the financial needs of the country. The first duty of the government was to avert threatened bankruptcy, and to have lifted the two per cent tax without having the revenue for another tax to take its place would have seriously depleted the revenue and further complicated financial matters. To add to the difficulties of the government the Mining Association failed to suggest an alternative or substitute tax for the one proposed to be abolished. Here is the resolution of 1903. It speaks for itself:

"That the government and Legislature of British Columbia be respectfully urged to abolish the so-called two per cent mineral tax upon the output of mines, because of its injurious effect in depressing mining, and because of its effect in discouraging the investment of capital."

"Now, had the government acceded to that demand the tax would have been abolished, the revenue would have been depleted to that extent and there would have remained no source from which revenue to take the place of that abolished could have been derived. That the government acted wisely in moving with caution towards a reform in the mining legislation is shown by the action of the executive committee at Kamloops in November last, when they passed a resolution affirming that the mining industry has no wish to be relieved of taxation at the expense of other industries, and adding that the industry is willing to pay its fair and equitable share of taxation. Again, the convention of 1904, which closed its labors a short time ago repeated its demand for the lifting of the tax of two per cent, but added to the resolution of 1903 these significant words:

"And that the executive committee of the Association be instructed to consider and recommend to the government some alternative tax in lieu of the two per cent tax."

Cannot Mr. Galt see that had the government acceded to the request of the convention of 1903 and abolished the two per cent tax they could not have produced a substitute tax without running counter to the wishes of the convention? Had the resolution, and a serious decrease in revenue would have resulted? Even Mr. Galt, prejudiced as he appears to be against the government because they refused to introduce headlong legislation and adopt the views of the convention of 1903, which they have changed in 1904, does (though he may not acknowledge it) the government have acted wisely and well? In no way have Ministers shown hostility to the Mining Association, although political opponents have endeavored to place them in that position, nor have

they declined to consider the matter of remedial legislation. On the contrary, they have always evinced a friendly spirit towards the Association, have received its representatives in a cordial and hospitable manner, and have shown in two important instances met the views of the convention of 1903. The special committee appointed to interview the Ministers as to the late convention with a report that breathed the highest confidence in the assurances that were given them by the Ministers. And yet we find Mr. Galt, in the second issue of the Colonist, declaring that the sound of the president's gavel still lingered in his ears, committing to print through your columns an expression of want of confidence in the government's professions.

But, Mr. Editor, I can point to other evidence of Mr. Galt's prejudice and want of discretion. At a meeting of the executive committee of the Association held at Kamloops in November last, a dangerous and mischievous resolution was passed. The resolution condemned the Bureau of Mines and, infamously, the Provincial Mineralogist, in strong terms. Here are the words of the resolution:

BUREAU OF MINES.

Whereas there has long been an increasing dissatisfaction with the relation of the Bureau of Mines to the mining industry, the complaints most prevalent being to the effect that the conditions and resources of various districts have not all been properly presented, and that all efforts made by the Bureau towards the betterment of mining conditions have met with opposition instead of assistance from that office, and that moreover, it is complained that the Bureau has apparently been restricted to the collection of statistics, while the industry has not received that assistance in the way of expert scientific study and reports on mineral districts which was expected from the office, and which was the main object of its creation, as set out in section 7 of the Bureau of Mines Act, 1897:

And whereas it appears to this Association that the co-operation which should exist between the Bureau and the mining community is now entirely wanting, and that the main object of its creation has been thus defeated:

Be it therefore resolved that, in the opinion of this Association, a radical change should be effected in the constitution and conduct of the said Bureau.

When the convention met the unwelcome attack on the Bureau of Mines was a clear evidence that one of the objects of the Association was to bring to the attention of the public the mischievous effects of the resolution quoted above moved the following substitute which met with the approval of the convention:

"That the government of British Columbia be respectfully requested to consider the question of improving the efficiency of the Bureau of Mines and bringing it into closer touch with the mining industry and particularly to so improve the nature of its operations and its reports as to assist the mining districts by scientific and geological information and to avoid anything which may be misconstrued as affecting the commercial prospects and chances of mining districts."

"That the executive committee be instructed to confer with the members of the government of British Columbia with a view to improving and assisting the efficiency of the Bureau of Mines."

Now, I ask Mr. Galt, and every other member of the Mining Association, how they can condemn the government for their inaction in failing to do what that had the government adopted all the suggestions of the convention of 1903 and the views of the Kamloops meeting, they would have run counter to the opinions of the convention of 1903 and made themselves ridiculous in the eyes of the whole province, besides inflicting an injury on the industry, all are anxious to foster. First, they would have done so without providing a substitute. Next, they were practically asked to condemn a worthy official whose only fault appears to have been to assist in drawing up capital to the country by reporting favorably upon a property of the merits of which he knew nothing. Am I correct in inferring that because Mr. Robertson was favored by the convention of 1903, which there were only prospects shown, he was marked for slaughter? It was more than hinted at the recent convention that such was the object of the resolution. In place of condemnation I believe the government is entitled to the thanks of the country for moving cautiously and conservatively in the matter, and for not, with five strokes of a sword, suggesting that the government might be more profitably employed in discussing mining reforms than in legislating for inactivity. He should remember that it was the House and not the government that took the feathered tribes under its wings, and that even insects have their uses.

HUDSON BAY.

Sir,—An article appeared in Sunday's Colonist under the heading "Hudson Bay Private Property?" in which the ownership, or sovereignty, of Canada's great inland sea is very ingeniously discussed, with the evident design of creating the impression that the United States has a colorable right to claim free access to those northern waters. The fact that this article appeared originally in the New York Herald and was reprinted in the Colonist, and the unobservant reader might therefore accept it as an explanation of Canada's standing in the premises. The successful bluffing of Great Britain in the Klondike case has encouraged the United States to set up a claim to Hudson Bay, and it will not be surprising to hear any day that the Washington government have issued the Imperial government to "arbitrate" on the ownership of the bay. Their stupendous impudence is quite equal to such a proposal. It is true that United States have been making fortunes out of the bay for 50 years past, unmolested by the Imperial or Canadian governments, and they would now turn the tables and demand that the Imperial government should arbitrate on the ownership of the bay. Their stupendous impudence is quite equal to such a proposal. It is true that United States have been making fortunes out of the bay for 50 years past, unmolested by the Imperial or Canadian governments, and they would now turn the tables and demand that the Imperial government should arbitrate on the ownership of the bay. Their stupendous impudence is quite equal to such a proposal.

As an offset to the San article I would ask you to reproduce the following letter from Mr. J. W. Tyrrell, the well-known Canadian explorer.

FRANK I. CLARKE.

In the columns of the press of late we read many articles of more or less interest relating to the "Hudson Bay" question. It is only natural that anything appearing under the name of "Hudson Bay" should be of exceptional interest to me, as many of its borders are under the jurisdiction of my survey—made from time to time for our Canadian government—but from a national standpoint the question of Canadian rights and jurisdiction in that region should be one of deep and living interest to every British subject, particularly on this side of the Atlantic.

Mr. Galt, as true Canadians, should and doubtless will, to the utmost of our ability, maintain our rights, whatever they may be, in our "great inland sea," and we should ascertain just what those rights are the better, and the less trouble will be for storing up for the future. If you will pardon me for making further personal remarks, I would state that the expedition of the present year, now wintering in Hudson Bay, is by no means the first one to assert Canadian jurisdiction and hoist the British flag on those northern shores, for upon four different occasions not only has it been my privilege to plant our colors, but many other explorers have done so before me, in the name of our "King and Country."

In regard to the entire shores of Hudson Bay and its numerous islands, I do not think there can be any question as to ownership, as they are certainly British territory, as they are a part of Canada. The only question, to my mind, is whether the bay is exclusively British or is it an open sea.

In regard to physical facts, the Hudson Bay is entirely within British territory—no other nation having lands bordering upon it, or in any way accessible by means of its waters. The only means of access and egress between the bay and the Atlantic Ocean is through Hudson Straits, which are four hundred miles in length and about forty miles wide at its narrowest part. These being the physical conditions of things, it is "up to us" to establish our exclusive rights, if we are entitled to such.

If I may trespass thus far upon your valuable space, I would like to make

a brief quotation from a letter of my own, published in The Toronto Globe of Sept. 20, 1896, and it expresses today, as then, my feelings and facts upon the question: "I have visited the islands and shores in many localities swarming with walrus, and I have witnessed such sights of reindeer as only photographs can describe. These, as well as the other products mentioned, have a high commercial value, but I will not further dwell upon this subject, excepting to deal briefly with the whale industry, through which alone Canada has already lost many millions of dollars. I might quote figures to prove this statement, as I have them before me, but it will be sufficient to state that the description is not made without ample information upon which to base it. An average right whale, in bone and oil, is valued at from ten to twenty thousand dollars, and, as three or four whales are commonly captured by one vessel in a season, it is readily seen what are the possibilities of a single whaling voyage. It is, of course, a well known fact that foreign whalers have for years been fishing in Hudson Bay and the adjacent waters to the north and east. "I have seen as many as four vessels in one season, and so that, although, by the treaty of Utrecht, the sovereignty of Hudson Bay was ceded to Great Britain, it is just possible that, through long continued acquiescence, these whalers may be establishing rights whilst ours are being allowed to lapse. It is certainly high time that our government should take steps to assert Canadian jurisdiction in our North Sea, and this cannot be better done than through an expedition, etc."

Such an expedition on board the whaling steamer Neptune, in charge of Commander Lowe, is now wintering in Hudson Bay, and it is greatly to be hoped that through his actions our rights will be respected.

J. W. TYRRELL, D.L.S.
Hamilton, Jan. 10, 1904.

PRESS COMMENT.

The octogenarian Mr. Charles Henry Clarke, just dead, netted a clear \$18,000 out of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." That was the evil old days when literary piracy was rampant on both sides of the Atlantic and "moral right" was of less value than waste paper. But Mr. Clarke, having ideas of his own, took the liberty of anticipating copyright conventions by sending Mrs. Beecher Stowe a thousand dollars. Had he acted within the four corners of the law the author's check would have been drawn for precisely 20 cts. old—London Outlook.

Each Chinese schoolboy must furnish his own stool and table for school work and the "Four Precious Articles," which are the ink stick, a cake of ink, a brush for writing and paper. With these he begins his weary task of learning to write and read the thousands of Chinese classics, and a knowledge of this ancient literature and wisdom means education to the Chinese. At the opening of a Chinese school a paper on which is written the name of Confucius is pasted on the wall. Before this honored name the pupils and teachers burn incense and bow three times to the floor. The teacher then tells Confucius the day, the month, and the year, and begs for his favor.—Everybody's Magazine.

A remarkable memory for faces is one of the attributes of George Denny, head of the Standard Exploration Company. He is the head doorkeeper after the office hours that Denny's gift stands him in good stead. Like the other government buildings, no visitors are allowed at the State, War and Navy after 5 o'clock, however, and there is a constant stream of officials, messengers and newsmen pouring in before Mr. Denny never makes the mistake of holding up the wrong man.—Kansas City Journal.

Two test actions, brought by shareholders in the Standard Exploration Company against Lord Edward Pelham Clinton and Gen. Gough-Cathoche, who were directors, have been set for seven days before Mr. Justice Joyce. False statements are alleged to have been made in the prospectus, and the two defendants are sought to be made liable. The principal allegation is that large holdings were sold to have been acquired in the London & Globe and its subsidiary companies, the profits whereon were more than sufficient to pay a dividend of 20 per cent on the current year. The company failed a year after the prospectus was issued, and a dividend of seven shillings was paid to the creditors, none of the shareholders being paid anything. It is said the directors either knew or ought to have known the statements to be untrue.—Saturday Review.

MAY MEAN A REVIVAL.

(Spokane Spokesman-Review.)

It looks as if the Hendry process might work wonders in the Republic mining camp. Recent tests have shown that over 83 per cent of the gold and silver value may be saved, and in a low grade camp where the values run, say, about \$10 a ton, this may mean a marked revival in mining operations. Several properties at Republic have been operated during the last two years, but under great disadvantages. Both transportation and mining charges are heavy and the net returns on ore that does not run high have been meagre. The smelters pay about \$9.40 for gold and silver ore, say \$10, and \$1 is to be deducted for transportation and treatment. This leaves the mine-owner only \$3.40, out of which to pay costs and profit. By saving over 80 per cent of the values, as seems to have been done by the new process, the profit would be \$2.30 is saved from \$10 ore, and if the cost of milling is only \$1.50, as is promised, there will be a net profit of \$0.80, instead of \$3.40, to the mine-owner. Such a saving as this may mean the making of a mining camp, and it looks as if work might be commenced on many Republic properties that have long been idle. We are what might be termed a Spokane camp, and it will be gratifying to learn that there is good prospect of a genuine revival there.

AN AMUSING SKIT.

The following clever parody is taken from the Sunday Chronicle, a Manchester paper:

The Victim,
Fervidly decides to take,
Dumme bag of tricks!
Chinaman no ha-pence pickie,
Always gett'ee klee.
Fervidly decides to take makee,
Russia and Japan;
Samee gamee; come and takee
Swag from Chinaman.

Chorus
Chin chin Chinaman
Russia takee fly
Misses Jap.
Me the chop
Gett'ee blackee eye.
Jappy snack
Russia back
Me the chop stop—
Chin chin Chinaman
Cep, cep, cep!

Missionary preaches "Brother;
Christian love, too!"
Alleluia, kili each other,
Cut off brother's nose.
Foreign devils lightee, hangee,
Takee chop chop!
Then if someone mustee hangee—
Hangee Chinaman!

Chorus—
Swing swing Chinaman
Swallow muchee pill,
Makee sad,
Velly bad,
"Little" "Big" III.
Powers light
Alle right
Come out on top—
Chop chop Chinaman,
Chop, chop, chop!

"Mr. Stanger has written some verses in which he describes me as bewitchingly beautiful," said a lady confided to the Flipp, "What do you think of that?" "I think that there must be more poetry than truth about the verses," was the latter's unkind reply.—Detroit Free Press.

Morrison—What is the matter, Dumley? You look terribly mystified. Dumley—No wonder, I was talking with Link's just now. We were talking of the Joneses, and he said that the elder was the younger and the deacon the elder. I can't get at the rights of the thing to save me.—Boston Transcript.

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HEISTERMAN & CO.**Local News.****In Chambers.**—Yesterday before the Hon. Mr. Justice Martin, the following applications were heard in Chambers: Olsson vs. Downes, application for paying out \$6,000. Crease for plaintiff, Pooley and Helmecker for defendant, order made. Re Annie Calder, deceased, application for probate, H. E. A. Courtney for applicant. Order made.**Hotel Runners Barred.**—The Vancouver Province has the following item of local interest: "C. P. R. Detective McLeod has issued instructions that local runners for Victoria hotels shall not hereafter ply their trade on board the steamer Charmer. Several representatives of Victoria houses have been in the habit of distributing cards and soliciting business on the steamer previous to her departure for the capital."**Evangelistic Services.**—Owing to the good attendance and increased interest being manifested in the evangelistic services which are being held in Centennial Methodist church, these services will be continued each evening of this week. Rev. Dr. Osterick will speak at 8 o'clock. The city is invited to join and celebrate this period of the year by renewed consecration of life to all that is pure and good.**Captured in Vancouver.**—A few days ago the police of the various British Columbia cities were notified by the Chief of Portland force to be on the lookout for a certain character known as "Canadian Whitey." He was captured in a very clever fashion in Vancouver on Saturday night by Detectives Jackson and Waddell. "Whitey" in company with two others held up the East side Southern Pacific Railway depot on the night of February 25, 1904, and robbed the night clerk of his watch and money and cleared out the office till.**Police Court.**—Yesterday morning a large budget of cases were on hand to be tried by Magistrate Hall in the Police court. William Morton and Hugh Caldwell were each fined for being drunk. "Canadian Whitey" was fined for pay revenue tax, his case was withdrawn on payment of costs. The case against Lim Lum, charged with threatening Mrs. Harry Cole with a knife, was adjourned until tomorrow afternoon at 2:30, and the case against seventeen Chinese for gambling was adjourned until Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. Two streets' cases were withdrawn.**Edison Theatre.**—Packed houses greeted each performance yesterday at the Edison and everyone was delighted with the show. Fox & Ward, direct from New York, thoroughly able exponents of the vaudeville and musical kept the house in a continual roar and received well merited applause. The greatest moving picture of the age, "Marie Antoinette," shows some very lively scenes illustrating the history of this very unfortunate woman, and is thoroughly interesting. Take the show all through it is very well balanced, exceedingly funny, and well worth seeing.**Harold Bauer Tonight.**—The great piano virtuoso, Harold Bauer, will give a recital at the Victoria theatre this evening. A critic says of him: "The emotional excitement produced by his playing is indeed very remarkable. This is not the result of his technique nor yet of his unusual powers of intellect and imagination, great as these are, but rather it is due to a highly sensitive, fiery temperament, full of electric energy, yet under such absolute control that one realizes always the presence of the master. Thus it sometimes happens that the one person at the performance who remains unmoved and unmoved is the player himself, Harold Bauer."**Engineers Organize.**—An association for the advancement of the interests of stationary engineers, purely provincial in its scope, is now in process of formation. Incorporation under the laws of British Columbia is being sought. It is believed that the association will be launched into existence with a membership of at least 100 members. Victoria is expected to contribute to the membership some thirty engineers, Vancouver about fifty-five, and the others from neighboring cities and up-country centers. There are about 700 licensed engineers in the province, all of whom will be members within the year. There are between 300 and 500 other stationary engineers working in the province, who are said not to be certificated. One of the objects of the association will be to force such men either to pass the required examinations to show competency or vacate their positions.**Seats on Sale Today.**—The sale of seats for the Anna Held presentation of "Mam'selle Napoleon" will open this morning at Wait's music store. The success of the play is laid in France during the most brilliant period of the Napoleonic regime, the character assumed by Miss Held being that of the Emperor's favorite actress, Mlle. Mars. The play is in three acts and has no fewer than forty-four singing or speaking parts, to say nothing of over 100 persons in the chorus. The first act shows the green room of the Comedie Francaise in 1809, the Emperor's favorite actress, Mlle. Mars, at the Comedie, Napoleon's summer residence. The stage represents an island in the middle of the lake, in moonlight, and with the chateau in the background. The third act, first scene, represents the interior of the Grand opera house, Paris, during a masked ball; the second scene shows the historic "Return from Elba," where the Emperor and his staff on horseback at the head of a battalion of Grenadier Guards.**War against darkness.**—Hylo Lamps, Hinton Electric Company.**Easter Entertainment.**—The Ladies Auxiliary of the Metropolitan Men's dist church intend giving a novel entertainment in the schoolroom on Tuesday evening of Easter week.**"The Bijou."**—This evening a practice in preparation for the presentation of "The Bijou" will be held in the schoolroom of St. Andrew's church. This practice will be for the sopranos only.**Bound to Esquima't.**—The Allan line steamer Tunisian which arrived at Hali-fax yesterday had on board \$55,000 worth of goods and men for Esquima't. These will relieve petty officers and men on this station who, on account of length of service are qualified for promotion on new ships going into commission.**Book of Recipes.**—The secretary requests that the ladies who are contributing recipes for use in the new book being prepared by the King's Daughters applications be sent to the secretary, box 357. Contributors are asked to write on one side of the paper only. Some have omitted to do this, and the secretary has been put to the additional labor of recopying these.**Will Wear Mourning.**—Because of the death of H. R. H. the Duke of Cambridge mourning will be worn by the official notification of the death has been received at Esquima't. Sixty guns would have been fired had any of the ships of the station been available for the purpose. H. M. S. Flora and Esquima't being in dock and on the ways this was impossible.**Lecture on Indians.**—"Indians, Savage and Civilized," will be the subject of a very entertaining lecture, illustrated with stereoscopic views, given in the James Day Methodist church by Rev. C. M. Fawcett, of Dunsmuir, B. C., tomorrow evening. As Rev. Mr. Fawcett has been amongst these people for many years his words will carry with them the weight of years of experience. Doors opened at 7:30 p. m. Lecture begins at 8 p. m.**Averted Accident.**—About 9:30 yesterday morning a team belonging to the Shawanigan Lake Lumber Co. came dashing along Government street, causing considerable alarm. Mr. Quagliotti, who happened to be on the street at the time, sprang into the path of the horses by the bridge, making both halt after being dragged quite a distance. This is not the first time Mr. Quagliotti has been instrumental in preventing accidents of this nature.**A Coming Concert.**—"Ye old time songs, ye old time music, ye old time habits," will entertain the people of Victoria in the James Day Methodist church on Monday evening, March 22nd. For many months this concert has been under way, and the people of that church feel confident that their collection of old time songs and music will be the best of the kind in the city. Some of the best talent of Victoria has been secured to assist in this entertainment, and a pleasant evening is assured.**Fish and Game Club.**—Tomorrow evening the adjourned annual general meeting of the Fish and Game Club will be held at the Grand hotel. Officers will be elected and other business of importance considered. It is understood that a report will be received from a committee appointed to investigate the condition of the fishery at Shawanigan Lake. These reports, if approved, will be forwarded to the government, having been washed down the stream, having been unable to withstand the strength of the increased flow of water.**Trout Plentiful.**—Trout are reported to be plentiful at both Shawanigan and Sooke lakes. The E. & N. trains leaving Victoria on Sunday morning carried a large number of trout, which were taken by the anglers and other favorite resorts. On the train returning on Sunday night Constable Cox searched all on board for the purpose of ascertaining whether trout and salmon were caught before the opening of the season, but no fish were found. All the fishermen had evidently gone out for the purpose of preparing for the opening of the season on Friday next.**The Fall Fair.**—A deputation comprising the following: His Worship Mayor Barnard, A. E. McPhillips, K. C.; H. B. Bouchard, C. E. Alderman, Rev. Mr. Oddy and Gooden and Messrs. Kerr, Cochrane, Redfern, Shakespeare, Baker, Mowat and Anderson and Swinerton, moved upon Premier McBride yesterday afternoon at the opening of the fair for the British Columbia Agricultural show be not reduced from \$3,000 to \$2,000. The Premier promised that the matter would be taken into earnest consideration.**Smelter Men Confer.**—Copper smelting men from all over the Northwest are having a conference here this week over the copper situation and the new smelting rates, says the Spokane Spokesman-Review. Mr. E. J. Wilson, manager of the Northport, Wash., smelter, owned by the Le Roi Company of Rossland, is expected to be at the conference. Mr. A. B. W. Hodges, superintendent of the Great Granby plant at Grand Forks, the largest copper plant in Canada, is looking after his corporation's interests. Mr. C. H. Bouchard, C. E. Alderman, is also here. All report an unusually successful period of smelting.**Interesting Souvenir.**—An enlarged photograph of Mr. James Moore, of the Black Bear Creek, Cariboo, one of the pioneer placer miners of Yale and Cariboo, has been placed in the office of the Victoria of the Provincial Mining Association. The photograph is an excellent one, taken and enlarged by Mr. H. H. Mortimer Lamb, Mr. J. B. Hobson, first vice president of the association, kindly had the picture framed. The secretary will report to the executive committee at its next meeting the receipt of this memento of the early days of mining in British Columbia. Mr. Moore left Victoria last week on his return to Cariboo.**Advice to Easterners.**—To a reporter of the Montreal Gazette Dr. G. J. Milne of this city said in an interview the other day: "Why do people go to Atlantic City when we have such pleasant and inviting weather at Victoria? We have not had more than an inch of snow there through the winter. In fact cold weather has scarcely visited us. So agreeable has it been that people have believed that they could not have a holiday. I think if the people of the East would take a notion to come out to Victoria instead of going elsewhere they would be well satisfied with our journey. It only takes a day or two longer to go to the Pacific Coast than to go to Atlantic City and that time is not wasted. Canadians do not seem to appreciate what advantages their own country offers."**Newcastle Quarries.**—The first cargo of dressed stone from the Newcastle island quarries is expected to be shipped to San Francisco next week. Arrangements are now being made by Mr. Davies, the superintendent, to charter a vessel for this purpose. The cargo will consist of several thousand tons of stone and will include fine blocks cut to measure for the handsome mansions being erected at Nappa, Cal., to the memory of a millionaire. These stones have been chosen with the greatest care and are absolutely without flaw. They had to be dressed on two faces and sometimes on more. Mr. Davies forwarded samples of the stone some time ago to Washington where it is being submitted along with tenders for certain government buildings. Mr. Davies has little doubt that the contract will be obtained and expects before very long to increase his force of men considerably.**Returns Thanks.**—Ensign Wilkins, of the Salvation Army, thanks Mr. John H. of London, for the gift of pictures, books and household effects.**Sheriff's Office.**—Sheriff Richards said yesterday that he expected to sell the goods and chattels belonging to G. J. Cook, seized on a writ of execution, by auction tomorrow. An action as to the whole status of the affair will be heard this morning in the County court.**Ladies' Auxiliary.**—The meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. called for yesterday afternoon was very well attended and reports were received regarding the last concert. Arrangements were made for an entertainment on April 6th at the Y. M. C. A. rooms. The annual meeting of the auxiliary will be held on Monday, April 18th next.**County Court.**—Yesterday morning before Mr. P. S. Smith, the County court action, Sheriff vs. G. J. Cook, was tried. Judgment was given in favor of the defendant, Mr. Lampman deciding that the piano and vases in pawn at Anson's, belonged to Mrs. Cook and were, therefore, not seizable. The sewing machine, he decided, did belong to Cook, and will be sold.**Saunders' Dance.**—Tonight at Sample's hall, Victoria West, the saunders of H. M. S. Flora and Esquima't are giving a dance to their friends. A special invitation is extended to the members of the R. E. Quaglie and the saunders who attend the dances at the barracks. The lads in navy blue are anxious to reciprocate for kindly treatment received at the barracks.**New Island Town.**—The Western Fuel Company are already making preparations for the housing of the workmen who will be employed at the new mine at Departure Bay. A number of houses are already up and the new townsite will hereafter be known as Brechin. The carpenters of the company are at present busy finishing the houses so that they will be ready for almost immediate occupation.**Flour for the Orient.**—In addition to supplying a large share of local trade, the Columbia Flour Mills at Esquima't, B. C., will in a short time be shipping large quantities of its well known brands to the Orient. Numerous inquiries and several large orders have been received since the receipt of the excellent showing made by the samples of flour which this company sent to the great industrial exhibition at Osaka, Japan.**Callam Wreckage.**—The street railway company did a large business on its Oak Bay line on Sunday and yesterday, many Victorians traveling to the terminus of the line, to view the wreck and other wreckage recovered from the late vessel. As these relics of the late disaster will not be removed for some days to come, no doubt many others will take advantage of the opportunity to inspect all that is left of the ill-fated ship.**Pulp Company.**—The Vancouver World is authority for the statement that Mr. G. A. Scott, a graduate of the Western Pulp Company, thinks that the company will build their mill at the north end of Vancouver Island at an early date. The lands would have been surveyed last fall, but have been covered by the grass, the horses were threatened with starvation and work had to be discontinued. The surveying will be carried out, however, as soon as the weather permits.**To Help Their Country.**—Many Japanese took passage on the Empress of India which departed for the Orient this morning. Some are soldiers and others are civilians who have been traveling in Europe. Among the former is one traveling under the name of T. Sakai, but whose real name is Prince Nishino, he being a member of the royal family. He has been sojourning in England, and is hurrying back to take his place at the head of his regiment, one of the crack cavalry corps of Japan.**En Route to Philippines.**—Among the passengers sailing on the Empress of India this morning were Capt. M. M. Folger and Ensign John D. Wainwright of the United States Navy. They will be going to Honolulu and then down to Manila, where he will assume secondary command of the Philippine squadron of the United States Navy, under Admiral Dewey. D. Wainwright accompanied Capt. Folger and will serve under him. Capt. Folger will relieve Admiral Stevens, who is to be promoted.**Lecture on Japan.**—Last evening, at the regular weekly meeting of the Epworth League of the Metropolitan Methodist church, and under the auspices of the missionary preparation committee, the Rev. Mr. Wainwright gave a most excellent and interesting lecture on Japan. The learned doctor has been for many years a resident of the Mikado's domain, and spoke with the authority of one who knew, having made a very careful study of the Japanese people. There was a large attendance. The lecture was well illustrated and proved a most successful affair.**Speaks Well of Alaska.**—C. A. Munro, a former resident of Victoria, writing from White Horse under date of March 19th, says: "I believe Alaska will turn out to be a very rich country. There are lots of miners going in every day, also plenty of teams hauling freight. The accommodation on the trail is first class, there being good, comfortable log roadhouses every five or twenty miles, with log stables for horses and dogs. The charges are reasonable too, so any one can make the trip in comfort. They are making new discoveries every week, and the gold is being mined by the thousands. There are more than 100,000 people there, and not an empty house or tent in the town."**Knox Church.**—Arrangements for the bazaar and sale of work to be given by the ladies of Knox church, Spring Ridge, on Thursday, the 24th inst., in the Commercial hall, Prince of Wales street, are rapidly nearing completion. An excellent programme has been provided for the evening, several well-known ladies and gentlemen having promised to take part. The Knox Y. W. C. A. Club have been secured, and they will give "Cinderella." These young people have already secured one marked success in this popular play and since just giving it new features have been added, and the old ones retouched, so the production is very greatly improved. It is hoped that all friends of the church will attend this entertainment and help make the affair successful, both socially and financially.**Ignorance of Canada.**—Apropos of Miss Agnes Deans Cameron's recent successful efforts to remedy the glaring inaccuracies regarding Canada in British geographical text books, Mr. W. T. R. Preston, commissioner of immigration, comments as follows in his annual report to the department of the Interior: "Upon the ignorance which still prevails in Great Britain regarding Canada and Canadian affairs. He says I was asked as to the wisdom of a young man who proposed going to Canada getting married before his departure. He said, 'I have heard that there are no facilities for getting married in Canada.' These are undoubtedly extreme illustrations, but they nevertheless furnish a clue to the want of knowledge existing in this country respecting the political, the social and the religious life of the Dominion. Thousands of educated people can be found in this country who have never heard that there are no native Canadian boys with a strain of Indian blood in their veins."

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Flora Nearly Finished.—The latest reports are to the effect that the Flora will be floated on Friday next. The big cruiser has now been in dry dock for a long time. She will remain at Esquima't for some time after leaving dry dock.**An Improvement.**—The lights on the James Bay embankment are a wonderful improvement to that hitherto region of darkness. The rapid progress made with the roadway by the street railway company has rendered these lights necessary in the prosecution of the work after dark.**From Syria.**—Ibrahim Khalil, a native of Syria, is in town collecting funds for the erection of a Roman Catholic church in Jerusalem. Ibrahim's credentials are unimpeachable and include one from W. C. Magness, the United States consul at Beirut, who, it will be remembered, was reported murdered during the riots at that place last summer. The local list of subscriptions has been headed by Archbishop Orth.**Natural History Society.**—Owing to a change made in the bylaws under incorporation, the annual meeting of the Natural History Society, announced and last evening will not take place until Tuesday, April 25th. A special feature of that occasion will be an address by the president on the formation of the society and the foundation of the Provincial Museum. Last evening only routine business was transacted.**NECKWEAR.**—The new styles in Neckwear for the spring of 1904, now showing at Campbell's Ladies' Outfitters, Emporium, Fort street, cannot be surpassed for elegance in style and exclusiveness in design. They comprise the very latest novelties shown in London, Paris and New York. The very latest novelties in Belts are also on view, inspection of which is invited.**Don't miss City Band Dance** March 24th.**NEW BOOKS.**—"Mrs. McElerie," by the author of "The Magician," "The Pit," by Norris, and "Need the Money," by John Henry. Victoria Book and Stationery Co., Limited.**New Store! New Books!**—R. Watson, (late of Montreal), has opened up for himself with a fine new line of books and shoes, at 65 Yates street, which he is selling at Eastern prices.**The celebrated Battle Creek Sanitarium** health foods and life-givers for sale by Watson & Hall, 55 Yates st.**Genuine English Breakfast Tea, 60c a lb., at Jameson's, 71 Fort Street.****BAGSHAW & CO**
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Surely very few bishops exercise a wider jurisdiction than His Lordship Bishop Breynt, of the Roman Catholic diocese of the Yukon, extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and reaching from the 60th parallel to the Arctic ocean.

Bishop Breynt arrived in the city by yesterday's express train, and leaves for Dawson on the Princess May tomorrow. As he naively said to a representative of the News-Advertiser last night, he had just come away from the wilds of the Mackenzie river, and was going to try the civilization of the Yukon for a change.

The Bishop has lived off and on for the last eleven years in those northern wilds, and comes out ruddy and strong. He has many interesting things to say of life in a land where the powdered snow drifts over the frozen plains and ice-bound lakes for more than half the year. He knows the hardships, the life of the trappers and trappers of those desolate regions, and says that for all the hardships he has to endure, he would not care to leave them. On his present trip down he made a journey of 900 miles with the sleds, carrying by the way. The weather was intensely cold, the temperature often sinking to 50 below zero. From the Mackenzie river basin he could have seen through to Dawson in 15 days by traveling straight overland across the mountains, but he had to visit the southern posts in his diocese, and that induced him to take train from Edmonton to Vancouver.

"What are the possibilities of the Mackenzie district as to settlement by white people?" was one of the questions asked of him.

"Well, as to that," replied his lordship doubtfully, "the climate is very cold for agriculture. If the country is to be opened up at all it will have to be by miners. The Mackenzie district has mineral resources of every variety. There are all kinds of ore, and there are springs of sulphur and tar, and mountains of salt. In the southern part of the Mackenzie there is a certain amount of gold, and more might be discovered if it was prospected."

The Bishop has an intimate knowledge of the country along the Mackenzie river and around the Great Slave lake, as he has a small steamer for visiting the scattered posts. The landscape along the river, he says, is quite varied, some portions being open country and others heavily timbered, while certain parts are very mountainous. The missionaries raise their own potatoes and vegetables, and Bishop Breynt says he has seen wheat, grown successfully north of Lake Athabasca. He does not, however, think that agriculture can be generally carried on there, though he believes that cattle ranching might be made to succeed in the southern part of the Mackenzie basin, where there are some fine hay lands to provide against the long winters.

He describes the lives of the Indians there as being very hard. A few of the better class have huts with roofs of poles and mud and floors of horse hair, but the majority still prefer to live in tents. In the winter they get into the huts and cover their roofs with poles covered with deer skin, with a hole left in the top, where the smoke goes out from the family fire, round which they crouch.

He speaks with admiration of the self-sacrifice shown by the priests and Sisters of Mercy in those remote regions. For 40 years the church has had missions established there. Away from all the luxuries of civilized life they have lived like the Indians on fish and venison and such vegetables as they could raise from year to year, and so remote from civilization are they that some of the priests at the far northern posts have not yet heard the name of the new Pope.

Uncle Tom's Cabin.—The company that played at the Victoria theatre last evening before a very good house consisted of about thirty people, mostly worse than mediocre, a few dogs and some beautiful ponies. The star of the whole play is Little Greta, who plays the part of Eva and plays it well; the piece of really good acting. The part of Aunt Ophelia, Mrs. Marshall, was very well sustained, as was also the part of Uncle Tom, William Arthur. Taking the show as a whole it was very poor, and a distinct disappointment to many who attended.

Mills Were Damaged.—Fire caught in the mill room of the steamship Cottage City on the up trip to Skagway. Little damage resulted except to the mill, some of which was destroyed. The loss was in the Canadian mail, but more was damaged by water than by fire. The fire occurred Thursday night at 11 o'clock. It took the crew half an hour to quench the flames, which were never permitted to get out of the mill room. The passengers behaved with coolness. The Cottage City was near Ketchikan at the time of the accident. It is believed that inflammable material in the Canadian mail became ignited, causing the fire.

Complaint Against Consul.—A special despatch from Washington to the Seattle Times says: "Secretary of State Hay, in compliance with requests from several shipping firms on Puget sound and of San Francisco, has filed with the ambassador of Great Britain charges of alleged misconduct on the part of Oscar Klock, vice-consul of Great Britain at Port Townsend. An investigation, it is said, has been ordered. It is understood also that the embassy has received petitions from merchants and commercial firms of Victoria, Vancouver and Nanaimo praying for a change in the vice-consulate and the appointment of another officer. The complaints of the Puget sound firms, all addressed to the secretary of state, are virtually of the same tenor. Klock, who is in the stereotyped business, says the charges are the result of fierce business competition."

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Quadra Leaves For West Coast

Dominion Government Steamer Goes to Search For Queen City.

Shipping Men Not Apprehensive — List of Steamer's Officers.

On Sunday forenoon, the steamer Queen City, of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company's West Coast Service, not having reported or been reported, although due last Thursday night, it was decided by Captain Group, in view of the prospect of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Captain Gaudin, for permission to send the Dominion Government steamer Quadra out along the West Coast to search for the missing vessel.

Captain Gaudin complied with the request immediately, and the crew of the Quadra were summoned aboard without delay. The steamer was ready for a start on Sunday evening, but it was decided later to hold her until 5 o'clock yesterday morning, when she sailed, having on board Captain Group, and a crew of 100 men, including the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Captain Gaudin, for permission to send the Dominion Government steamer Quadra out along the West Coast to search for the missing vessel.

At the C. P. N. office, a little apprehension is felt for the safety of the steamer, because she has not only one of the ablest captains in these waters, but she is also staunch as a craft. Captain Gaudin, who was one of the leading skippers of Victoria's smart sailing fleet, is thoroughly acquainted with the West Coast and its weather, and all his varying moods, and it would hardly be possible to place on the bridge a safer or more capable master than he.

The Colonist has made inquiry amongst the shipping men around the harbor, and finds that the consensus of opinion is that the Queen City is snugly anchored in one of the many fine harbors or coves with which the West Coast abounds. They believe that Captain Townsend would be sure to watch the glass and take no chances. Captain Gaudin, who is a veteran, was reported to the C. P. N. Co.'s office here last night that the Queen City was six days overdue at Clayoquot, but that fact does not necessarily imply that the worst has happened, or even that the hope that the steamer may be windbound in one or other of the innumerable coves and shoals on the coast.

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SPORTING NEWS.

WRESTLING.

Next Saturday's Match.

The great wrestling match advertised to take place at the drill hall on next Saturday evening will take place at the A. O. U. W. Hall, it having been found impossible to secure the Drill Hall for the purpose. The match is, Chief Two Feathers vs. Chief Five. When a similar match was held at Vancouver some time since the Indian was victorious, winning the first second and third falls. This time, however, the Indian will be the victor, as he has the advantage of the fifth leg band. Some delay will be occasioned in getting the advertising matter, as it has all to be re-printed on account of the change of place. The match is for a side bet of \$250.

Two Feathers wrestles Gutch tomorrow evening at Vancouver for \$2,000 and the champion of America. Jack Thompson, at the Colonist office last evening and said he thought Gutch had his work cut out to win.

HANDBALL.

Jones and Jesse Defeat Finlaison and Jost. Dave Jones and Walter Jesse, won from Jack Finlaison and Stan Jost, with a score of 14-21; 21-17; 21-13 in the tournament decided on Saturday last evening and said he thought Gutch had his work cut out to win.

The struggle was a very hard one, Jones and Jesse finally winning out through their steadiness at the critical moment in the last set. When referred to by the referee, the start, Jones and Jesse, by means of good service, established a good lead, with 11 points to their opponents' 2. Nothing daunted, Finlaison and Jost set to work to turn the tide. The latter served brilliantly and for a time completely puzzled the rival pair. He evened the score at 11 points, and with the help of his active partner, ran out when Jones and Jesse had only managed to pile up 3 more points.

In the second set, the start was similar to the first. Jones and Jesse secured the lead but could not hold it, their opponents catching them by means of a number of well placed serves. A most exciting struggle then took place. First one side and then the other obtained a slight advantage, but Finlaison and Jost failed to return some of Dave Jones' hard drives with the result that they lost the set by 4 points.

In the final set, Jones and Jesse set a lightning clip, putting in a number of serves which proved too good for their rivals. With the score 19-11 against them, Finlaison and Jost made a most determined effort to turn the tide. One service, after serving for all he was worth and crept up point by point. He secured 7, making the score 19-18, but then Jones and Jesse landed themselves and took the set. Even then their opponents tried hard to even the situation but failed to do so and Jones and Jesse made the 2 points necessary to win.

Before Thomas gave entire satisfaction. He was firm and his decisions were given promptly.

The J. B. A. A. gymnasium is a good place for this popular game, but it is very badly lighted. In an important game like this it is only fair to the players that they should be able to see well enough to judge their opponents' services. A number of "ones" that the last was behind a player before he knew it, as it came off the floor so fast, that in the dim light he was unable to time it.

Another interesting game took place between Dave Jones and Tom Eden and Ken Hughes and Bob Peden. The latter pair won, although their rivals made a good fight for it. The score was 21-19; 21-14.

Edney and Peden made a very game effort to win the first set. The score was 20-11, against them, but they piled up 8 points and all but succeeded in winning out. However, they just failed and were then beaten in the second set, after another game struggle.

PAPER CHASE.

R. G. A. Has a Good Run.

The second paper chase of the 58 Co., R. G. A., this season, took place last week, when Br. Harrison and G. McCarty were dispatched as hares loaded with scent papers. It proved a great success, the hares got home in 70 minutes. On this occasion Capt. Muspratt-Williams was the only officer who went the whole course.

The previous week Lt. Geary selected the hares, and he took on more than he was capable of performing, his condition, scrambling home the last mile was deplorable, as he was manfully banging up the "rear."

BASKETBALL.

The R. G. A. Are Playing the Game.

Basketball is catching on at the barracks. Unfortunately the players seem to forget they are playing basketball and convert it into a rough game or even worse. A correspondent writing, says: "I fancy it would take the Victoria West champions all their time to put them in ship-shape, or nearly so."

Ladies' Game.

The Victoria ladies' basketball team will meet the Victoria West ladies at the Y. M. C. A. Annex Hall on Friday evening. A most interesting game is expected as the ladies play a first class game, their combination and shooting being very good. The teams are reported to be evenly matched, and as both are out to win, the enthusiasts should witness a fine game.

BASEBALL.

The Fernwoods' Meeting.

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Arrangements were made whereby the teams will commence practicing and the grounds will be put into shape for play.

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AIR CRITICISM.

WHAT WE MAY EXPECT.

Another great opera had arrived from Europe and was being produced in New York.

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Victoria.....	10:20 A.M.	12:00 P.M.	8:00 P.M.	1:00 P.M.
Shawnigan Lake.....	11:00	12:40	8:20	1:20
Duncan.....	11:10	13:00	8:30	1:30
Ladysmith.....	11:37	13:10	8:40	1:40
Nanaimo.....	12:30	13:40	8:50	1:50
Ar. Wellington.....	12:50	14:00	9:00	2:00

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Former Victorian From Manila

Editor Swarthout of Manila Daily Times Revisits This City.

Goes to Washington as Delegate Representing White Residents.

Mr. William N. Swarthout, proprietor and editor of the Manila Times, president of the Manila Board of Trade, Association, and president of the Manila Press Club, was a passenger on the steamer Shawmut, which arrived from Manila, via China and Japan, on Sunday morning.

Mr. Swarthout worked for eight months as a compositor on the staff of the Victoria Daily News, ten or twelve years ago, and made kind enquiry after his old comrades of the case, especially Brother Ditchburn, whom he regretted very much not being able to see. Mr. Swarthout has prospered exceedingly since he left Victoria, and is one of Manila's leading citizens.

He is bound for Washington, D. C., to interview the government regarding the present condition of things in Manila, which, as Mr. Swarthout pointed out to the Colonist, are far from satisfactory for the white settlers and residents. Mr. Swarthout will endeavor to see the President and enlist his powerful aid in the matter, but he expects to be able to prove to the members of the executive that remedial action is urgently necessary.

In the first place it is a fact that the white residents now pay no less than 25 per cent of the whole taxation, the 75 per cent remainder falling upon the native population. It is contended by Mr. Swarthout that a revision of the tariff will afford the desired relief, for it is on the duties on various articles of import that the trouble occurs. The sugar duties and those on tobacco will have to be more equitably adjusted. (When this is done the troubles of the white residents of the Philippines will be largely at an end, and Mr. Swarthout expects to see thousands of Americans flocking into the new possessions.)

The recent change in the currency has proved rather a business headache, the newly introduced peso, or dollar, being radically different in value from the old coinage, thus causing any amount of trouble in trading with the native population. It is contended that this difficulty will be overcome in time.

The great question of the day in the Philippines, though, is neither currency nor customs. It has been contended, latterly, impossible to obtain a supply of cheap native labor sufficient to keep the plantations and other undertakings going. The natives, that is the Filipinos, positively refuse to work, and the bait of higher wages is evidently no inducement to them. In fact, it is dangerous to offer such wages, for a Filipino will accept the terms, work until the wages he has been offered are exhausted, and then there a competence is a pretty modest sum—then he knocks off, and nothing can induce him to resume his work. The other natives besides the Filipinos are almost worthless for the purposes of the planter and manufacturer. They are shiftless, inconceivably lazy, given to gambling and will quit work in a body without the least warning to go off and make their own way, and a cock-fight around the corner.

The cigar factories are all operated by Filipino labor, but this is a class of work that seems to come naturally to the deft-fingered Filipino. Some of the big factories are owned and managed by Spaniards, and the quality of goods turned out is famous the world over. In the printing trade, too, the numberless Filipino firms abundant employment when he wants to work. In fact, this trade is almost entirely in the hands of the Filipinos.

Mr. McCullough, the proprietor of the largest printing establishment in the

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Mr. Willard Thompson, McNeill's Mills, P.E.I., writes on March 10: "I wish to state to you that Burdock Blood Bitters has done for me. Some time ago my blood got out of order and many boils appeared on my neck, legs and arms. They were so painful that I could not sleep at night. After having tried many different remedies without any success, I finally decided, on the advice of a friend, to use Burdock Blood Bitters. Before I had quite used two bottles the boils had completely disappeared, and I wish to emphasize the fact that I think Burdock Blood Bitters the best blood purifier on the market to-day."

Big Shawmut From the Orient

Monster Steamship Reaches
Victoria Early on Sunday
Morning.

Brings Interesting Band of Wild
Philippine Warriors and
Musicians.

Early Sunday morning the huge steamer Shawmut, of the Boston Steamship Company's line, arrived at the ocean docks from the Philippine Islands and China and Japan, with a light cargo, about fifty tons of which was for Victoria, and thirty white passengers, including some distinguished people from the Philippines and the Asiatic mainland.

Forward, in the stowage, were three hundred natives of the Philippines, bound to the St. Louis exposition under care of Dr. Hunt, at one time Governor of Northern Luzon, and Mr. Healey, a big, jolly Irishman. The natives included parties of Igorrotes, Negritos, Visayas, Negrados, Tingallas and smaller groups of other tribes. Dr. Hunt showed a representative of the Colonist through a glimpse of the ship, presented an extraordinary sight with the wild-looking people, sitting up in their beds, smoking, eating their morning rice, smoking; men, women and children smoked either they pipes or cigars.

Here were to be seen women with blocks of wood through the lobes of their ears, the blocks being a good deal thicker than the handle of a broom, and the skin and flesh growing round the wood and holding it firmly. Others had upwards of half a pound of brass or copper ingots depending from their ear lobes. One woman had a stick stuck crosswise.

THROUGH HER UPPER LIP
and seemed to enjoy it. Many of the women had their arms tattooed from the wrists to the shoulder, and the work was so exquisitely done that it looked like a film of blue lace laid over their skin.

Not a few of the warriors of the Igorrotes had their chests tattooed, signifying, not only that they were brave men, but that they had been successful in the chase. These people are more ferocious than the Dyaks of Borneo, and their special sport is cutting off the heads of people whom they regard as disagreeable. They have long black hair, more pleasant features, wear no clothing on the lower limbs or from the waist downward, except a shoestring round the waist, from which depends, with airy grace, a piece of cloth about the size of a lady's pocket handkerchief; one of those in front and the other behind.

It is a costume that permits of absolute freedom of movement and perfect ventilation. Several of the Igorrotes, being arranged gentlemen were sweeping up the steerage floor when the pressman and the doctor went through. On the back of their heads they wear a straw hat about the size of a lady's hat, and they keep their matches, tobacco and other creature comforts. The hat is secured to the head with a string.

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HABIT OF RUNNING AMOK
once in a while, when people who are too slow to get themselves amok-strung or have their stature reduced by a head or so. In their own country they go about armed with axes, spears and knives, and at all times ready to fight. Several of the Igorrotes, being arranged gentlemen were sweeping up the steerage floor when the pressman and the doctor went through. On the back of their heads they wear a straw hat about the size of a lady's hat, and they keep their matches, tobacco and other creature comforts. The hat is secured to the head with a string.

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**Argument That West Coast of
Island is too Rough to Use
Them.**

Speaking to a News-Advertiser reporter, G. J. Watson, managing director of the B. C. Packers' Association, had the following to say regarding the announcement that the government had determined to grant the use of fish traps.

"The canners, of course, petitioned for traps," Mr. Watson said, "but under the conditions upon which the permission to use this method of catching salmon are known, it will be impossible to state just what effect it will have upon the industry. What the canners want is the right to use traps anywhere between the 43rd parallel and Cape Scott, and they are asking the government to allow them only on the southern strip of island coast between Trial Island and Cape Scott. The result of the placing of the traps cannot be stated until a trial has been made, as the system with the canners is in the experimental stage. The general belief is that more fish will be secured, as it is thought the salmon pass along the coast of the west coast of Vancouver Island before they enter Puget sound, where they are caught in such large numbers by the Americans. There is every reason to think the use of traps will prove a success, and if it does, it will mean an impetus to the canning industry of Vancouver and the lower Fraser."

Another canner man, when asked his views, said that it was likely a successful method whether the traps on the coast of Vancouver Island would prove a success. In the first place, it was doubtful if the salmon passed in shore in any numbers, and then the heavy winds, prevalent off that coast at all seasons of the year, would make it almost impossible, in his opinion, to maintain traps. The traps cost from \$8,000 to \$10,000 each to erect, and even a moderate swell would do such damage as to render them useless. On the sheltered water of Puget sound, traps had several times been erected. Moreover, it was very doubtful whether the traps necessary for the traps could be driven on the rocky coast of Vancouver Island. Anyway, he did not think the permission to construct traps, if it only applied to the southern end of Vancouver Island, would affect the Fraser River canners or fishermen.

Flora Coaling.—Today the Flora will take on about 100 tons of coal, and it is rumored that when loaded she will proceed to Union wharf and finish coaling. If she goes to Union it is most likely that while proceeding there she will do heavy gun practice. It is not likely that the Flora will leave the dock before the 1st of April. A number of the ship's company of the Flora are giving a dance in Temple's hall, Victoria West tonight. A large crowd of civilians are expected to attend.

Wedded at St. Andrews.—At St. Andrew's Presbyterian church yesterday evening at 8:30 o'clock Rev. W. Leslie Clark in the presence of a little company of the contracting parties friends, united in marriage Roy Holstead Wright, of Thorowood, Wash., son of Samuel M. Wright, inspector of Indian agencies for Manitoba, and Mable Starr, daughter of Mrs. Starr, 251 Yates street. The groom was attended by Mr. W. D. Marratt, his brother, and the bride by Miss E. E. Babcock, of Vancouver. The newly wedded pair left by the Prince of Wales for their home in Washington.

At the principal Japanese ports visited by the Shawmut the utmost watchfulness was maintained. The Japanese special service officers were everywhere, and they boarded the ship from the pilot boat, examined all the passengers and, suspecting one or two of them of being in some manner connected with the Russians, actually mounted two guards over the state-room doors of those passengers, night and day, as long as the steamer remained in port. The interrogations were of the most minute and searching character. At Moji the Shawmut's officers had a good chance to see the prompt service rendered by the transport department. The way the troops and their baggage were hustled aboard and the steamers packed off on their voyage to Korea.

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The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m.....Calm.

Noon.....21 miles southeast.

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Average state of weather—Showery.

Rain and melted snow—0.51 inch.

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